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கிணறுகள் இல்லாவிட்டால் கிணறுகளை வெட்டிக்கொடுத்தோ அல்லது ஆர்டிஷன் கிணறுகளை அமைத்துக்கொடுத்தோ ஏன் பயிர் செய்யக்கூடாது என்று கேட்கிறேன் ? ''

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—'' On account of the continuous failure of the monsoon, much of the land could not be brought under cultivation. Further, much reclamation was required and in these lands only certain dry crops and particularly, in certain areas only, cashewnut crops could be grown. So far as the road development work is concerned, certain proposals for the assignment of a total extent of 288 acres of these lands are under consideration. Another proposal is to bring under cultivation waste lands. Three hundred acres are being taken up for cultivation under the National Extension Scheme. Organization of co-operative societies to bring waste lands under cultivation is also being taken up.''

Alienation of poramboke lands to the Basic Schools in South Arcot district for agricultural purposes.

* 1250 *Q.*—SRI K. R. VISWANATHAN : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether G.O. No. 2930, Education, dated 20th September 1949, and the Proceedings of Director of Public Instruction Roc. No. 477 of 1948, dated 27th September 1949, in pursuance of the above Government Order regarding the alienation of lands to Basic Schools for agricultural purposes are still in force;

(*b*) how many applications from the Managers of Basic Schools in South Arcot district for alienation of poramboke lands for agricultural purposes of the schools were received by the Government; and

(*c*) the action taken on the applications?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—'' (*a*) The orders referred to are still in force. But they relate to the sanction of grants for the construction of buildings for Basic Schools.

'' (*b*) Three, Sir.

'' (*c*) A statement [a] is placed on the table of the House.''

Construction of Ramanchira dam in Hosdrug, South Kanara district.

* 1251 *Q.*—SRI M. NARAYANAN NAMBIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) at what stage the construction of the Ramanchira dam in Hosdrug sub-taluk, South Kanara district, stands;

(*b*) the area that can be benefited by the scheme;

(*c*) the amount sanctioned for the scheme; and

(*d*) whether there are any other similar schemes under investigation for the same sub-taluk?

[a] Printed as Appendix III on page 481 infra.

THE HON. RAJA SRI SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" (a) The work has been completed.

" (b) 110 acres.

" (c) Rs. 40,000 for works or Rs. 52,043 inclusive of direct and indirect charges.

" (d) No scheme is under investigation at present."

Payment of risk allowance to the staff of the Mental Hospital, Kilpauk, Madras.

* 1252 Q.—SRI A. RATNAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Health be pleased to state—

(a) whether the doctors and nurses in the Mental Hospital, Kilpauk, Madras, are paid any risk allowance.

(b) whether this allowance is granted to the menial staff also; and

(c) if not, why?

THE HON. SRI A. B. SHETTY :—" (a) & (b) Yes, Sir.

" (c) Does not arise."

Showing of special treatment for the South Arcot district.

* 1253 Q.—SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(a) whether there is any understanding between the Chief Minister and the Minister for Local Boards to the effect that special consideration will be shown to the South Arcot district; and

(b) if so, whether the Government have accepted it as their policy and the details thereof?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" (a) No.

" (b) Does not arise."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDRAM :—" கனம் சபாநாயகர் அவர்களே, கனம் S. S. ராமசாமி படையாச்சி அவர்கள் மந்திரி சபைக்கு அழைக்கப் படும் முன் வேறு எந்த முறையிலாவது விசேஷமான உறுதி மொழி கொடுக்கப்பட்டதா ? அப்படியானால் அதன் விவரம் என்ன ? "

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—" The present question does not arise out of the main question. The main question was whether any special treatment was shown to South Arcot district and I have answered 'no' to that question."

SRI R. V. SWAMINATHAN :—" In the year 1952, the Communist Party together with some of the other parties in the Opposition tried to form a Ministry but they failed. May I know from the Hon. Minister what was the understanding arrived at between the Communist Party and other parties at that time? " (Laughter.)